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HOUSE RESOLUTION 35
By Patton

A RESOLUTION to congratulate James T. and Betty May Powell
on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding
anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in honoring those successful marriages that have prevailed to serve as standards for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on February 4, 1951, James T. Powell and Betty May were joined in holy matrimony at the Central Freewill Baptist Church, and since that happy day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, depending upon their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Powell retired from Tennessee Eastman, Kingsport, where he was respected by his peers and supervisors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, he also served astutely as a member of the Washington County Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Powell is deeply devoted to her family; as a wife and mother she has made her home a haven of joy and beauty; and

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WHEREAS, for fifty years this union has endured to serve as a testament to the power of love and family; and

WHEREAS, this couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced three wonderful children; the Powell children and their spouses are: James V. "Bouy" Powell, Gray and Vickie Privette, and Sonia L. Peterson; James and Betty Powell are also blessed with the love of seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, the Powells are the epitome of good neighbors, and they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as theirs represent the best of our society, as they remind us of the beauty and value of continuity and commitment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and congratulate James T. and Betty May Powell on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.